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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. The references were cited in the enclosed PCT Search Report and Written Opinion.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the references have been considered, per MPEP § 609.

Although WO 02/101114 A1 and EP 1 179 838 A2 are cited in the enclosed PCT Search Report and Written Opinion, they are not listed and included on the PTO-1449 as their U.S. equivalents, U.S. 2003/0008070 A1 and U.S. 6,218,301, were previously submitted with the February 13, 2004 Information Disclosure Statement.

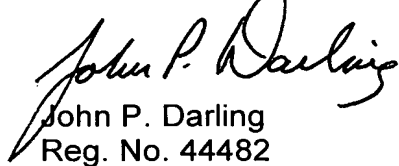
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